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Diphtheria in Eureka, Cal.

EUREKA, CAL., *January 10, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report the occurrence of 16 cases of diphtheria in this county during the past eight months, most of which were reported to me at different times during the above-mentioned period, hardly sufficient to constitute an epidemic. None of the cases were fatal in which antidiphtheretic serum (P. D. & Co.) was injected within forty-eight hours; 4 or 5 of the earlier cases were fatal.

Respectfully, B. Y. HARRIS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Reports from the Mexican border.

El Paso, Tex., January 12, 1901—Inspection service.—I have the honor to transmit herewith summary of work at this station for week ended January 12, 1901: Inspection Mexican Central Railroad passengers, 116; inspection Rio Grande and Pacific Railroad passengers, 26; inspection Mexican immigrants, 23; disinfection of baggage, bedding, etc., of immigrants, 23 parcels; disinfection soiled linen for laundry work, 415 pieces; disinfection Pullman linen, 3,352 pieces; fumigation of cattle hides, 1,550; vaccination of immigrants, 8.

E. ALEXANDER,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Laredo, Tex., January 15, 1901—Inspection service.—I have the honor to submit the following report for week ended January 12, 1901: Number of passenger trains arriving from Mexico inspected, 14; persons on passenger trains inspected and passed, 535; immigrants inspected and passed, 68; Pullman Company linen disinfected, 3,824 pieces.

H. J. HAMILTON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Arrival at Reedy Island Quarantine of vessels from Cuban ports.

REEDY ISLAND QUARANTINE,
via Port Penn, Del., January 13, 1901.

SIR: Through the medical officer in command national quarantine service on Delaware Bay and River, I have the honor to report the inspection at this quarantine of the following vessels from Cuban ports: January 8, 1901, American schooner *James Judge*, from Havana, with limed bones and horns; no passengers; bill of health signed by Surg. A. H. Glennan. British steamship *Benwick*, from Havana via Daiquiri, with ore from Daiquiri; no passengers; Havana bill of health signed by Surg. A. H. Glennan; Daiquiri bill of health signed by Acting Asst. Surg. Juan J. de Jongh. January 11, 1901, Norwegian steamship *Urd*, from Martinique via Santiago de Cuba, with ore; no passengers; bill of health signed by Assistant Surgeon Von Ezdorf.

Respectfully, T. F. RICHARDSON,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

Arrival at Baltimore of vessels from West Indian ports.

BALTIMORE, MD., *January 19, 1901.*

SIR: I have to report the British steamship *Drummond*, from Santiago de Cuba, January 16, with iron ore, as the only arrival at this port from Cuba, etc., for the week ended to-day.

Respectfully, WM. F. STONE, *Collector.*